net bank credit; 18% of the total credit in respect of direct finance extented to agriculture (including allied activities) by March, 1990; and the advances to weaker section, which, includes small and marginal farmers and landless cultivators and artisans, are to reach a level of 10% of total credit or 25% of the priority sector advances. Against the above targets, public sector banks as a whole have extended 44.3% of their total advances to priority sector as at the end of December, 1989. With regard to direct finance to agriculture, these banks have extended 16.6% of their total advances as at the end of December, 1989. So far as advances to weaker sections are concerned, these banks have extended 10.8% of their total advances and 24.5% of their total priority sector advances to weaker sections by the end of December, 1989.

Plan for the betterment of the conditions of weavers in U.P.

*336. KUMARI ALIA: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government of Uttar Pradesh has sent a plan for the betterment of the conditions of weavers in the State;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) what steps are contemplated by the Government of India to protect these weavers from the middlemen for regular and proper supply of yarn and other raw material and to assure adequate wages for them; and

(d) what are the details of the financial assistance given to the State Government for the development of weavers during the last three years, year-wise and to be provided during 1990-91?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI SHARAD YADAV): No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) and (d) A statement is laid on the Table of the House [*See* appendix CLIV, annexure No 72]

Setting up of an academy for training judicial officials

*337 SHRI PASUMPON THAKIRUTTINAN:
SHRI V. GOPALSAMY:

Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 3046 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 10th August, 1989 and state:

(a) whether Government have since taken a decision on the recommendation made by the Law Commission in its 117th Report and submitted to Government about the setting up of an academy for training of judicial officers;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) if the answer to part (a) above be in the negative the stage at which the proposal rests at present?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI DINESH GOSWAMI):(a) Yes, Sir. It is proposed to set up an Academy for the training of Judicial Officers.

(b) The details are being worked out in consultation with the Chief Justice of India.

(c) does not arise.

Directives issued to banks to establish SC/ST cells

*338. SHRI. SHIV PRATAP MISHRA:
SHRI AJIT P.K. JOGI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state: